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Good-bye, Grover. May the Lord in His goodness forgive you. It is too much to expect of us mortals.

The Senate public lands committee reports that everything was right in the Perrine land grant, which acquiesces the administration of all charges of favoritism towards the patentee.

The President and President-elect have exchanged salutations and the former assured the latter that he would take part in the inaugural ceremonies to-day in spite of physical suffering.

The weather bureau predicts fair weather at Washington for the inauguration to-day, which will be quite a change from the atmospheric conditions usual at the National Capital on such occasions.

The President wanted Senator Gray to accept the appointment of district judge for Delaware; but as the Senator could not see his way clear to take the appointment a Republican judge will fill the place.

The powers have finally decided to expel the Greeks from Crete by force if necessary. This is hard, but little Greece is powerless before combined Europe. It is a shame on the age that Christian people should be subjected to the brutalities of Mohammedanism.

The President has vetoed the immigration bill; but Senator Lodge says it will be taken up by the next Congress and signed by a Republican President. If McKinley should develop the kind of backbone for which his predecessor was famous the prediction of the Massachusetts Senator may not come to pass.

The report that Governor Bushnell and staff had been snubbed by President Cleveland is indignantly denied at the White House. It seems the President was suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism of the feet and could not stand to talk to any one. Under the circumstances he certainly ought to be excused. He has enough to answer for in that line without being called to account when he was not guilty.

It is pleasant to note that General Alger, the incoming Secretary of War, is in Washington ready to enter upon his duties. While he no doubt fully appreciates the responsibilities and benefits of the position he is to fill, his kind words for the people of the South have won him many friends in this section. He will to all appearances make a zealous and energetic member of the McKinley administration.

THE OLD AND THE NEW.

The workings of the system of government under which the people of the United States are living will be fully exemplified to-day in the retirement of one President and the installation of another. The change will be effected without a jar, and matters will move on as before. Only those immediately connected with the Government will be conscious of any change, except in so far as motive of party policy may be developed as time moves on. A government that has stood the strain of a great civil war and the assassination of two Presidents must necessarily be a strong one; but after all the inherent strength of the republic resides in the people, who are the source from which all power is derived, and when they are considered it is their law-abiding spirit and conservatism that contribute so largely to its strength and stability.

A lawless and turbulent population, with the most perfect system of government that human wisdom could devise,

would exhibit their prominent characteristics in revolution and insurrection against the constituted authorities, just as a sensible and patient people would preserve the peace when the restraints are light, and discord is easily possible. Such a situation as occurred in the Presidential dispute of 1876-7 would in many countries have resulted for a time at least in anarchy and bloodshed; but the American people determined that this should not be, and quietly set to work to solve the difficulty, and when the result was announced accepted Hayes as President and patiently submitted to his authority.

In the early history of the republic the bonds of union under the old confederation were so light that every State regarded itself as practically independent, and yet at the proper time all accepted the authority of the general government under the new constitution, and submitted to it until the issues that arose with the anti-slavery agitation admitted of no settlement but the sword. Yet, when this had been tried, there was no desultory warfare or turbulence in the section which had lately seceded. The people there accepted the results in good faith, and to-day are as loyal to the Union as those of any other section. The wisdom that devised the government which survived so many shocks and actually became stronger after every ordeal, must indeed be wonderful, but it must not be forgotten that the people for whom it was formed are of a race to whom the love of liberty is instinctive, and who in the past hundred years or more have exhibited the highest attributes of progress and enlightenment. Grover Cleveland will step down and out to-day, and William McKinley will step in and up, to remain at the head of the Government for four years. It was the knowledge of the people that the rule of the first could last at the longest only four years which made them so patient under the affliction, and it is the same consciousness of their ability to change McKinley at the end of four years for some one else, if he should be lacking in the requirements of a ruler, that makes them willing to accept the change and hope for the best. The adage, "de mortuis nihil nisi bonum," (say nothing but good of the dead) might hold good in the case of the Cleveland administration; for so far as the American people are concerned it is gone beyond recall. The historian of the future when the passions and prejudices of the present time shall have subsided, may be able to see much to admire in that administration; but as things are looked at now such a decision cannot be generally arrived at. Personally all must give Mr. Cleveland credit for firmness, courage and decision of character, and while they may not applaud, they can at least wish him happiness in retirement, and in the words of Rip Van Winkle, hope he and his "may live long and prosper."

GOVERNMENT AND THE RAILWAYS.

About the only argument we hear nowadays against government ownership of railways is the argument advanced by James J. Wait in the March number of the North American Review. It is really no argument at all, of course, but as it has weight with the unthinking it may be well to consider it. It is that government ownership in the United States is not feasible because our public business is not conducted upon a sufficiently high plane. "A railroad train manned by political appointees of the grade which one frequently meets in public offices," says Mr. Wait, "would not be safe for passengers; and any one whose business takes him to the City Hall would be slow to entrust his commercial affairs to a similar outfit."

And yet not only this short-sighted and unreflecting essayist, but 60,000,000 of other people daily entrust their commercial business and their most delicate and sacred private affairs to "political appointees" in the mail service. Here and all other city dwellers rely upon "political appointees" to keep their persons from violence and their property from fiery destruction. All American citizens abroad make frequent use of the services of "political appointees" called ambassadors, ministers or consuls. All American citizens returning from abroad or importing foreign goods have dealings with "political appointees" in the custom houses.

What ground is there for believing that "political appointees" in a government railway service would be incapable and otherwise undesirable? By the way, the countries where the railways are owned and operated by private persons or corporations are the United States, Great Britain, Barbadoes, Basutoland, Bolivia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Guatemala, Hawaii, Honduras, Mexico, Montenegro, Morocco, Persia, Siam, Spain, Venezuela and Zululand.

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Virginia News.

Onancock is making an effort to secure better railroad facilities.

The appropriations for the city of Richmond this year amount to \$1,352,849.

Efforts to "get together" are being made by both wings of the Democratic party in Virginia.

There has not been a death in Woodstock this year, although sickness has been widespread.

It is estimated that the Alumni Bulletin of the university will suspend publication for lack of support.

E. E. Moody, a Manchester stone mason, was probably fatally injured by a Richmond electric car yesterday.

The State of Virginia last year pensioned 1,845 ex-Confederate soldiers in sums ranging from \$15 to \$100.

Dewitt Smith, of New York, has made an offer for the city of Petersburg's interests in the Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina railroad.

Meadle Minnegerode, son of the late Rev. Dr. Chas. Minnegerode, of Richmond, died in Paris yesterday. Mr. Minnegerode removed to Paris ten years ago.

Most of the coal and coke companies in Wise county have been consolidated under the name of the Tom's Creek Coal and Coke Company.

Col. A. S. Buford, of Richmond, has received a number of letters favoring his suggestion for a congress of farmers at Washington March 6.

Miss Grace Arents, a niece of Major Lewis Ginter, proposes to establish an industrial school at Richmond for boys. This lady is now in New York, where she has been for several weeks.

Judge W. G. T. Nelson, of Spotsylvania county, died Wednesday. Judge Nelson acquired quite a reputation as a teacher, and represented Louisa county in the legislature during the war.

Peter Hoover, a stalwart fisherman and trapper, and Miss Mollie Button, a pretty girl of Richmond, have just been married and started off on their bridal trip in a row-boat. Their destination was a seaway, near Dutch Gap, where they have taken up housekeeping.

The mammoth steamship "Alcoa" sailed from Norfolk for Rotterdam on Saturday. She has an assorted cargo, valued at about \$1,000,000. One item is 240,428 bushels of corn, valued at \$84,149.

The plant of the Wythe Lead and Zinc Works at Austinville, Wythe county, was destroyed by fire Saturday night. Loss, \$50,000. These mines were extensively worked during the war of 1812, as well as the late civil war.

The land dealers in Portsmouth are booming business, and it is said a company with a capital of \$275,000 is to be soon organized to lay off property adjacent to the city into town lots and factory sites.

A picture of Mrs. Thomas S. Martin, formerly Miss Lucy Day, of Smithfield, wife of United States Senator Martin, of Virginia, will make the March number of Munsey's Magazine now out, attractive to readers in this section.

The jury returned "not a true bill" in the case of Edmund Scotland, of the Glendower neighborhood, who shot and killed Scott Boling while he was masquerading in the guise of a devil. Scotland was set at liberty yesterday.

Mrs. Margaret Moncreu, wife of T. J. Moncreu, of Stafford county, died suddenly Friday night at her home. She has been suffering from heart trouble for some time. Mrs. Moncreu was a daughter of the late Judge R. C. L. Moncreu, of the Virginia court of appeals.

In remembrance of the aid rendered by the ladies of Newport News to the passengers of the Old Dominion steamship Wyanoke, when she sunk in this harbor last spring in collision with the cruiser Columbia, the Old Dominion Steamship Company has donated \$500 to the movement to erect a hospital in that city, which was recently inaugurated there.

The taking of depositions in behalf of John R. Brown's contest for the seat of Hon. Claude A. Swanson in Congress, came to a close throughout the district yesterday evening. Mr. Swanson is now allowed by the law forty days in which to obtain his evidence. His counsel will commence in his behalf very shortly.

William Drumgoole, the negro who was shot some days ago by a special officer while trying to rob Wamamaker's store in Philadelphia, and died from the effects of the wound, is the same negro whom Detective Heppel arrested in Norfolk in 1889 after breaking jail in Chester county, where he was confined for robbing the residence of Reuben Ragland at Roslyn. For this offense he was sent to the penitentiary. After serving the sentence he went North, only to meet death as above stated.

SIMPLY A WARNING.

London, March 3.—A dispatch from Athens says that the representatives of the powers there, who last evening presented an identical note to the Greek government demanding the evacuation of Crete by Greece, now admit that their instructions from their representative governments were to warn Greece in most serious terms that the powers are irrevocably determined to resort to the most formidable measures of compulsion unless the Greek fleet and troops are withdrawn within six days. The dispatch also says that the Greek commodore, Sachoules, has started for Crete on board the torpedo boat Mikaeli.

NO FAVORITISM SHOWN.

Washington, March 3.—The report of the Senate public lands committee on the investigation into the Perrine grant, in Florida, declares that the committee found nothing irregular or unusual in granting of the patent for the lands or any circumstances connected therewith. This is the case in which it was alleged a patent was issued because of the relationship of President Cleveland to the patentee.

RHEUMATISM QUICKLY CURED.

After having been confined to the house for eleven days and paying out \$25 in doctor bills without benefit, Mr. Frank Dolson, of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., was cured by one bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm costing 25 cents and has not since been troubled with that complaint. For sale by H. C. Barnes, "He Puts up Prescriptions."

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They cause the kidneys to rapidly rid the system of the poisons of alcohol and tobacco.

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IN THE DEFAULTER'S PLACE.

Washington, March 3.—Pay Inspector Edward Bellows has been ordered to Newport to take the place of the absconding paymaster, John Corwine, whose whereabouts are still unknown, although his bond fully covers all funds in his possession.

Commander Dennis W. Mullan is detached from command of the Pensacola navy yard.

FROM CRIPPLE CREEK.

After the big fire in Cripple Creek I took a very severe cold and tried many remedies without help, the cold only becoming more settled. After using three small bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, both the cough and cold left me, and in this high altitude it takes a meritorious cough remedy to do any good.—G. B. Henderson, editor, Daily Advertiser. For sale by H. C. Barnes, "He Puts up Prescriptions."

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We have more left to go at 10c the yard.

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IMPORTANT NEWS.

Nicaragua Wants Us to Build That Canal.

Washington, March 3.—The President to-day sent to the Senate in response to a resolution of January 23 last, copies of the correspondence and official communications relating to the Nicaragua canal since 1887 with the government of Nicaragua. The correspondence is exceedingly voluminous and covers a period from August 27, 1888, to January 22, 1897, the correspondence under the last date being Mr. Olney's notice to Minister Rodriguez, of the Greater Republic that he had forwarded to the committee on foreign relations a translation of his protest against the passage of the Nicaraguan canal bill.

The most important communication perhaps, is a note from Minister Baker to Mr. Olney, under date of February 3, 1896, in which at a conference held with President Zelaya, of Nicaragua, that official is quoted as saying "the government has taken the opinion of a commission of three of our ablest lawyers as to whether the canal company has forfeited its concession by reason of not having done any work in this country for many years, and after a most careful examination of the question in all its bearings, the commission came to the conclusion that the company had broken its contract with this government."

"But," added the president, "we will not throw any obstacle in the way of the company if it will, in good faith, try to raise the money and go along with the work. If, however, the company continues its inactivity, I hope the United States Government will take up the work itself and put it through."

When Minister Baker observed that he understood that under the concession the United States would not be permitted to do this, President Zelaya replied:

"That can be very easily arranged. Nicaragua, after six or seven years' experience with the company, has come to the conclusion that only a great government can and will do the work, and we will be pleased to make a contract with the United States to take control of it."

When asked if Nicaragua had at any time had an offer from a foreign company to take hold of the enterprise on condition that the existing contract be gotten rid of, President Zelaya said frankly that it had not. Minister Baker said he made these statements at the request of the president, so that his position might correctly be understood at Washington.

TO ATTEND AN EXPOSITION.

Washington, March 3.—The flagship Philadelphia, with Admiral Beardsley aboard, has been ordered to leave San Diego, Cal., at once for San Jose, Guatemala, where the admiral, with his staff and chief officers of the ship, will disembark and attend the opening of the Guatemalan International Exposition, which occurs March 15. The cruiser Cincinnati has arrived at Genoa, where she will be docked, and the Detroit is at Singapore on her way home from China.

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